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## House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 28, 1995, at 12:30 p.m.

## Senate

MONDAY, MARCH 27, 1995

The Senate met at 10:30 a.m. and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend John Lloyd Ogilvie, D.D., offered the following prayer:

Let us pray:

Almighty God, Sovereign of this Senate and Lord of our lives, as we begin a new week filled with opportunities masquerading as complex problems, we claim Your promise, "Call on Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things which you do not know."—Jeremiah 33:3. So we press on with confidence to the work ahead. Irrespective of the intensity of our problems, You are with us. The bigger the problems, the more of Your abiding presence we will receive. The more complex the problems, the more advanced will be the wisdom You offer. Equal to the strain of each problem, will be the strength You release.

We ask for a fresh anointing of Your spirit. Our talents, training, and experience are insufficient to deal with the problems we face. We need Your x-ray discernment into the potential blessing wrapped up in what we call problems. Endow us with vision to see clearly the solutions we would not have discovered without Your help. Give us courage to follow Your guidance. Make us lodestar leaders who are on fire with enthusiasm. Set us ablaze with greater patriotism for our country and deeper commitment to our calling to be courageous problem-solvers by Your grace and guidance. Then make us compelling communicators who are able to

share Your solutions and inspire others.

Thank you, Lord, for a week filled with serendipities, Your interventions to help us live at full potential for Your glory. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The able majority leader is recognized.

### SCHEDULE

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I want to announce to my colleagues that there will be a period for morning business until the hour of 11:30 a.m. with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 5 minutes each. Senator THOMAS will be recognized for up to 10 minutes.

At 11:30 we will begin 6 hours of debate on the subject of S. 219, the moratorium bill. There will be no votes during today's session, though I hope, if Members on either side have amendments which might be acceptable, that they will come to the floor and offer those amendments. Otherwise, there will be general debate.

Then on tomorrow at 10 o'clock we will be back on S. 219, the moratorium bill.

Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. THOMAS] is recognized to speak for up to 10 minutes.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you very much, Mr. President.

### SELF-EMPLOYMENT TAX CREDIT

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. President, I rise to talk a little bit about the self-employment health insurance tax credit that was passed last Friday. This was the right thing to do. This was something that we needed to do and need to continue so that it will be retroactive for this tax year.

But I want to make the point that we have not finished yet. Last Friday was simply a reinstatement of what we have had in the past. But we need to go further. Last Friday's bill reinstates the 25-percent tax deduction for premiums on health care insurance for 1994 and increases the deduction to 30 percent for tax years beginning in 1995 and thereafter.

This is a very important issue, a very important item to Americans, and a very important item to health care. There are 12 million self-employed business men and women across this country, 19,000 of whom reside in Wyoming. These business men and women can now proceed with the filing of their 1994 tax returns knowing that a portion

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